

# **NEWS RELEASE**

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## RJC CERTIFIES CHORON INTERNATIONAL PTE LTD

LONDON - RJC announced today that Choron International Pte Ltd has achieved Certification against the 2013 Code of Practices (COP) at its diamond sales and retail facilities in Belgium, India, Russia and United Arab Emirates.

"It is a pleasure to announce Choron International Pte Ltd has been certified against the 2013 COP. The new provisions under the 2013 COP address important issues for our Members and their supply chain. We are delighted to see Members achieving Certification against the standard and warmly congratulate Choron International Pte Ltd," says Andrew Bone, RJC's Executive Director.

The successful verification assessment was led by Peter Warbrick from SGS United Kingdom Limited, one of the independent third-party auditing firms accredited by the RJC.

"Choron International Pte Ltd and its subsidiaries in Belgium, India, Russia and the United Arab Emirates are extremely proud to have achieved RJC Certification. The RJC Certification is a reflection of our commitment to transparency for all our stakeholders and ethical business practices across our global offices. Our core corporate value has always been to drive our business in a responsible and sustainable manner whilst maintaining the highest standards of accountability and credibility" says Rajesh Gandhi, CEO of the Choron Group.

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#### **About RJC**

The Responsible Jewellery Council is an international not-for-profit standards and certification organisation. It has more than 700 Member companies that span the jewellery supply chain from mine to retail. RJC Members commit to and are independently audited against the RJC Code of Practices – an international standard on responsible business practices for diamonds, gold and platinum group metals. The Code of Practices addresses human rights, labour rights, environmental impact, mining practices, product disclosure and many more important topics in the jewellery supply chain. RJC also works with multi-stakeholder initiatives on responsible sourcing and supply chain due diligence. The RJC's Chain-of-Custody Certification for precious metals supports these initiatives and can be used as a tool to deliver broader Member and stakeholder benefit.

The RJC is a <u>Full Member of the ISEAL Alliance</u> – the global association for sustainability standards. For more information on RJC Members, Certification, and Standards please visit <u>www.responsiblejewellery.com</u>

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## **About Choron International Pte Ltd**

Choron International Pte Ltd and its subsidiaries are an international integrated diamond and jewellery group primarily involved in (1) the merchandising of rough and polished diamonds; (2) the manufacturing and sale of polished diamonds; and (3) the wholesale and retail of jewellery products with strong presence in Belgium, Russia, India, UAE and the Far East. The Group is currently a De Beers Accredited Buyer. More on <a href="https://www.choron.ru">www.choron.ru</a>

RJC Certification Information – Choron International Pte Ltd

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